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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: /  
Arthur E. Brown /  
U.S. Serial No: 09/779,901 / Examiner: Robert W. Gibson  
Filed: 2/8/2001 / Group Art: 3634  
For: SUSPENSION SYSTEM FOR FILE /  
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**REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

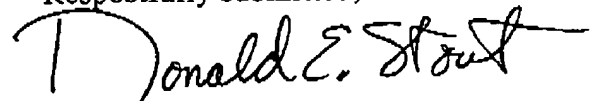
A first office action on the merits, dated March 19, 2003, has been received by Applicant in connection with the subject application. However, apparently through oversight, no citation of prior art (PTO-892), nor copies of the cited references, accompanied the office action. Since, apparently, the Cuenca reference was found by the Examiner in his search, and since he did not identify it sufficiently to permit Applicant to independently obtain the reference, Applicant cannot proceed to respond absent a supplemental office action which includes a citation of all prior art references. Applicant notes, as well, that the Examiner did not provide an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form supplied by Applicant.

Applicant thus respectfully requests that the PTO issue a supplemental office action which cites the prior art found by the Examiner, and which further provides an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form of record in the application. Applicant further

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respectfully requests that the period for response be re-set to coincide with the mailing date of the supplemental office action.

Respectfully submitted,



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